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**NATIONAL TENNIS SINGLES**

**WILL BE PLAYED TODAY.**

R. Morris Williams, 2d, and W. M. Johnston will meet in Finals.

**Forest Hills, N. Y., Sept. 4.—**Master racquet wielders from east and west will contest here tomorrow afternoon for the 1916 national singles tennis championship.

**EASTERN LEAGUE DROPS**

**TWO CLUBS**

Lowell and Lawrence will not be represented in organization.

**Harford, Conn., Sept. 4.—**The Lowell and Lawrence clubs of the Eastern League have been dropped, according to a statement here tonight by Sam O'Neill, vice president of the league.

**Owner of Lowell served notice** that the club would continue its team in the Eastern League.

**Elmer Breaks World's Record.**

Lewiston, Me., Sept. 4.—John J. Elmer of the United States A. C., New York, today broke the world's record established by himself in 1909 for the 120 yard hurdles during the track season at the state fair here.

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# WELSH STILL LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMP

**Stopped Charlie White After Struggle of 20 Rounds—Spectators Question Referee Roche's Decision—Fight Replete With Clinches—Braves Jump Into First Place in National League—New London Strengthens Lead.**

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 4.—Freddy Welsh retained his title of champion lightweight pugilist of the world today after going the full scheduled twenty rounds with Challenger Charlie White of Chicago. Referee Billy Roche of New York awarded Welsh the victory on points.

As the going sounded at the close of the twentieth round Roche stood for several moments as if undecided. He then reached out both hands toward the boxers and many of the spectators believed he was about to award a draw. Suddenly, Welsh raised his right hand and placed his glove in the referee's hand and it was raised aloft, while the official appeared to be reaching for White. The spectators, however, were of the opinion that the champion swarmed into the ring.

**Bleachers Collapsed.**

An unfortunate accident and an unpleasant incident marred the beginning and end of the day's program. At the close of the fight, a portion of the bleachers on the south side of the arena collapsed. More than a hundred persons were more or less seriously injured.

**Spectators Assail Referee.**

When Referee Roche announced his decision in favor of Welsh, the challenger's adherents appeared for the moment spellbound. Then hundreds of questions were hurled from all directions at the referee. He was rushed through the crowd by friends to a waiting automobile. Guarded by a policeman, the vehicle was speeded up the road to a hotel, while hundreds of men and boys rushed after it until it distanced them.

**Battle Replete With Clinches.**

From a spectator's standpoint the battle was considered one of the poorest that has ever been fought for the highest ring honors in the lightweight division. For fully two-thirds of the time the fighters were locked in a succession of clinches—and pushed each other back and forth around the ring. This many spectators thought Welsh was largely to blame for. Throughout the contest of 20 rounds scarcely a blow was thrown by either man that did any damage. Of the blows exchanged White's carried the greater power. While Welsh frequently was on the attack, he did his share of the leading. It was noticeable that many of his blows fell short and failed to reach their mark.

**Welsh the Aggressor.**

Roche stated after the fight that he awarded the victory to Welsh because he did most of the leading. With consummate generalship, Welsh, throughout virtually all the fighting, kept his hands on his hips, forcing White to face the hot glare. Neither man drew blood from his opponent and neither did any particular evidence having been seen in several occasions when it appeared likely that it might land, the champion was backing away so that the referee's hands were spent when they reached him.

**Fight by Rounds.**

Round 1—Welsh led twice with left to head and they went into a clinch. White landed a right to the head and a blow being struck. White landed left to head. White sent right to head and left to body and Welsh countered with his right hand, forcing the crowd calling for them to break away. White sent left hook to stomach. Round even.

Round 2—Welsh led with left to head and White blacked and they ran into another long clinch. Welsh sent two rights and lefts to head and body. White landed a right to the head and a blow being struck. White landed left to head. White sent right to head and left to body and Welsh countered with his right hand, forcing the crowd calling for them to break away. White sent left hook to stomach. Round even.

Round 3—They ran into a clinch and wrestled about the ring. White sent right and left hooks to body and repeated as Welsh missed left to head. Few clean blows were struck, the referee being kept busy prying the men apart.

Round 4—Again the men ran right into a clinch. White missed left hook to the head and Welsh countered with his right hand, forcing the crowd calling for them to break away. White sent left hook to stomach. Round even.

Round 5—They fiddled for an opening and clinched. White blocked several short arm blows to body. Welsh keeps pounding the kidneys in the clinches and White's back is all red as a result. The champion is keeping close to the ropes with his back to the sun. White landed left to body. Even round.

Round 6—Roche tried to keep the men from their usual clinching. White moved left to ropes and landed right and lefts to body. He repeated. White sent left hook to ear. Welsh blocked straight left to head. They were in a clinch at the bell.

Round 7—White drove left hook to stomach. White sent right to jaw and they clinched. Welsh sent left to chin. White sent right to chin and then to body. Shade for White.

Round 8—They continue their clinching. Welsh landed lightly to nose and clinched. Welsh tapped to nose lightly again. White sent several uppercuts to jaw as gong rang. Even round.

Round 9—They alternated between sparring for openings and running into clinches. White blocked several blows as he backed towards the ropes. Welsh sent left to neck. White landed left to head. White's round.

**YESTERDAY'S RESULTS**

Morning Games.	
Pittsburgh 7, St. Louis 0.	
Boston 7, New York 2.	
Philadelphia 2, Brooklyn 1.	
Chicago 5, Cincinnati 0.	
American Association.	
Boston 7, New York 1.	
Washington 2, Philadelphia 0.	
Detroit 7, Worcester 2.	

Evening Games.	
Providence 2, Richmond 1.	
Toronto 5, Rochester 1.	
Buffalo 2, Montreal 0.	
Hartford 7, Springfield 2.	
National League.	
Chicago 5, Cincinnati 10.	
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**THE STANDINGS.**

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